Sirhan's Lawyer Guarded

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No 'Girl in Polka Dots,' Police Say

LOS ANGELES (AP)—There never was a "girl in the polka dot dress," sought for questioning since the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, Los Angeles police said today.

An all-points bulletin has been canceled. It was issued after a Kennedy volunteer reported such a girl rushed from the slaying scene with the cry "we've killed him!"

INSPECTOR JOHN Powers, assistant commander of the detective bureau, said police established that no such person with special knowledge of the killing existed.

"It was determined that the person who originally described the female in the white polka dot dress was erroneous," Powers said.

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, 24, was subdued at the scene of the shooting in the Ambassador Hotel and has been charged with murdering Kennedy.

A SPOKESMAN for Sirhan's lawyer, Russell E. Parsons, disclosed yesterday that Parsons is under 24-hour guard because of threats. "We are taking them seriously," said Parsons' chief investigator. "We're not going to work under pressure of fear."

Shortly after the shooting, Sandy Serrano, 20, a Youth for Kennedy volunteer, told newsmen that she saw "a girl in a white dress with polka dots" run from the hotel.

Several young women who told authorities that they may have been seen by Miss Serrano were questioned. One, questioned at great length and then released, said she had run shouting "They've killed him."

AFTER AN extensive investigation, Powers said, it was concluded Miss Serrano misunderstood and had been "overwrought."

The police bulletin had been for informational purposes only, and authorities have never said anyone other than Sirhan was officially being considered a suspect.

Michael A. McGowan, chief investigator for Parsons, described steps being taken to safeguard the 69-year-old defense lawyer's life.

M'GOWAN SAID he or another body guard remained with Parsons at all times. Additionally, he said, Parsons was leaving his home and office at different times each day and using different routes to and from work.

The investigator said he believed many of the threats came from cranks but that some were serious.

One of these was a telephone call Thursday from New York City by a man who said Sirhan would not receive a fair trial, McGowan said.

He quoted the man as saying there were "250,000 militant Arabs" in the United States and "we're going to get Parsons and the others involved in the case." McGowan said he reported the call and the name the man gave to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.